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A CHARACTERISATION OF CHEBYSHEVIAN SUBSPACE
OF Y^\perp — TYPE

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1. Let be given a real linear space Z . For any nonvoid set E we denote by Z^E the linear space of all functions from E to Z with the operations of addition and multiplication by real scalars defined pointwisely.

Consider now two nonvoid sets X, Y such that $Y \subseteq X$ and two normed linear subspace M_X and M_Y of Z^X , respectively of Z^Y , such that $f|_Y \in M_Y$ for all $f \in M_X$, where $f|_Y$ denotes the restriction of f to Y . Denote by $\| \cdot \|_X$ and $\| \cdot \|_Y$ the norms on M_X , respectively M_Y .

Definition 1. We say that the norm $\| \cdot \|_Y$ is compatible with the norm $\| \cdot \|_X$ if

$$(I) \quad \|f|_Y\|_Y \leq \|f\|_X,$$

for all $f \in M_X$.

In the sequel, the norms $\| \cdot \|_X$ and $\| \cdot \|_Y$ will considered always compatible.

Let $K_X \subseteq M_X$ and $K_Y \subseteq M_Y$ be two convex cones with the vertex in the origin of M_X , respectively M_Y such that $f|_Y \in K_Y$, for all $f \in K_X$.

Definition 2. We say that K_Y is a P -cone if for all $f \in K_Y$ there exists $F \in K_X$ such that

$$1) f = F|_Y,$$

$$2) \|f\|_Y = \|F\|_X.$$

If further, the function F with the properties 1) and 2) is unique, K_Y is called PU -cone. The function F is called an extension of f .

2. Let

$$(2) \quad X_K = K_X - K_X,$$

be the linear subspace of M_X , generated by the cone K_X and

$$(3) \quad Y_{X_K}^\perp = \{g : g \in X_K, g|_Y = \theta_Y\},$$

where θ_Y denotes the zero function in M_Y , i.e. $\theta_Y(y) = 0$, for all $y \in Y$.

Definition 3. We say that the subspace $Y_{X_K}^\perp$ is K_X -proximal if for all $f \in K_X$ there exists an element $g_0 \in Y_{X_K}^\perp$ such that

$$(4) \quad \|f - g_0\|_X = d(f, Y_{X_K}^\perp) = \inf \{\|f - g\|_X : g \in Y_{X_K}^\perp\}.$$

If further, for all $f \in K_X$ there exists a unique $g_0 \in Y_{X_K}^\perp$ such that the equality (4) holds, then $Y_{X_K}^\perp$ is called K_X -Chebyshevian. An element $g_0 \in Y_{X_K}^\perp$ such that $\|f - g_0\|_X = d(f, Y_{X_K}^\perp)$ is called an element of best approximation of f by elements of $Y_{X_K}^\perp$.

3. The following two theorems show that the best approximation properties of the subspace $Y_{X_K}^\perp$ in M_X are connected with the extension properties of K_Y .

THEOREM 1. If K_Y is a P -cone then:

(a) for all $f \in K_X$, the following equality holds

$$(5) \quad \|f|_Y\|_Y = d(f, Y_{X_K}^\perp);$$

(b) for every $f \in K_X$, the elements of best approximation of f by elements of $Y_{X_K}^\perp$ are exactly the elements of the form $f - F$, where F is an extension of $f|_Y$.

Proof. (a) For $g \in Y_{X_K}^\perp$ we have:

$$\|f|_Y\|_Y = \|f|_Y - g|_Y\|_Y = \|(f - g)|_Y\|_Y \leq \|f - g\|_X,$$

such that $\|f|_Y\|_Y \leq d(f, Y_{X_K}^\perp)$.

On the other hand,

$$\|f|_Y\|_Y = \|f - (f - F)\|_X \geq \inf \{\|f - g\|_X : g \in Y_{X_K}^\perp\} = d(f, Y_{X_K}^\perp),$$

where F is an extension of $f|_Y$ to X . Therefore, the equality (5) holds.

(b) If $f \in K_X$ and $g \in Y_{X_K}^\perp$ is an element of best approximation of f , then by (5), $\|f - g\|_X = d(f, Y_{X_K}^\perp) = \|f|_Y\|_Y$ and $(f - g)|_Y = f|_Y$. It follows

that $f - g$ is an extension of $f|_Y$ to X . The fact that $f - F$ is a best approximation of f by elements of $Y_{X_K}^\perp$, for every extension F of $f|_Y$ to X , follows by the equalities:

$$d(f, Y_{X_K}^\perp) = \|f|_Y\|_Y = \|f - (f - F)\|_X.$$

THEOREM 2. (a) If K_Y is a P -cone, then $Y_{X_K}^\perp$ is K_X -proximal;
(b) If K_Y is a P -cone, then $Y_{X_K}^\perp$ is K_X -Chebyshevian if and only if K_Y is a PU -cone.

Proof. The theorem follows from theorem 1 (b).

If $K_Y = M_Y$ and K_Y is P -cone, respectively PU -cone, then M_Y is called P -space, respectively PU -space.

Let us denote by Y^\perp , the following subspace of M_X :

$$(6) \quad Y^\perp = \{f : f \in M_X, f|_Y = \theta_Y\}.$$

Then, the theorems 1 and 2 become:

THEOREM 3. If M is P -space, then:

(a) for all $f \in M_X$, the following equality holds:

$$(7) \quad \|f|_Y\|_Y = d(f, Y^\perp);$$

(b) for every $f \in M_X$, the elements of best approximation of f by elements of Y^\perp are exactly the elements of the form $f - F$, where F is an extension of $f|_Y$ to X .

THEOREM 4. (a) If M_Y is a P -space, then Y^\perp is proximal;

(b) If M_Y is a P -space, then Y^\perp is Chebyshevian if and only if M_Y is a PU -space.

For the definition of proximal and Chebyshevian sets see [9].

4. We shall give some particular cases of the above theorems.

I. If X is a normed linear space, Y a linear subspace of X , X^* the conjugate space of X , Y^* the conjugate space of Y , then by the Hahn-Banach theorem, Y^* is a P -space. In this case, theorem 3 (a) and theorem 4 (b) were proved by R. R. PHELPS [8].

II. For a metric space (X, d) , a subset Y of X and a fixed element x_0 of Y , let

$$(8) \quad \text{Lip}_0 X = \{f : f : X \rightarrow \mathbf{R}, \sup_{\substack{x \neq y \\ x, y \in X}} \frac{|f(x) - f(y)|}{d(x, y)} < \infty, f(x_0) = 0\},$$

$$(9) \quad \text{Lip}_0 Y = \{h : h : Y \rightarrow \mathbf{R}, \sup_{\substack{x \neq y \\ x, y \in Y}} \frac{|h(x) - h(y)|}{d(x, y)} < \infty, h(x_0) = 0\},$$

be the linear space of Lipschitz functions on X , respectively Y , which vanish on x_0 , with the norms

$$(10) \quad \|f\|_X = \sup \{|f(x) - f(y)|/d(x, y) : x \neq y, x, y \in X\},$$

$$(11) \quad \|h\|_Y = \sup \{|h(x) - h(y)|/d(x, y) : x \neq y, x, y \in Y\}.$$

By a theorem of S. BANACH [1], rediscovered by J. CZIPSER and L. GÉHER [2], the space $\text{Lip}_0 Y$ is a P -space with respect to $\text{Lip}_0 X$. In this case, theorems 3 and 4 were proved in [5].

III. A topological space is called extremally disconnected if the closure of every open set is open. If Ω is a compact Hausdorff space, denote by $C(\Omega)$ the Banach space of all continuous real functions defined on Ω with the sup-norm.

Let Ω be an extremally disconnected compact Hausdorff space, X a Banach space, Y a subspace of X . By a theorem of L. NACHBIN [6] $L(Y, C(\Omega))$ is a P -space in $L(X, C(\Omega))$, so that theorems 3 and 4 can be applied. Here $L(E, F)$ denotes the space of all continuous linear operators between the Banach spaces E and F .

IV. Let (X, d) be a metric linear space, d being a invariant metric for translation, i.e. $d(x, y) = d(x - y, \theta)$. Let

$$(12) \quad S_X^\circ = \{f : f : X \rightarrow \mathbf{R}, \sup \{|f(x)|/d(x, \theta) : x \neq \theta, x \in X\} < \infty, \\ f(\theta) = 0, f(x + y) \leq f(x) + f(y), x, y \in X\},$$

be the cone defined by G. PANTELIDIS [7].

For a subspace Y of X , the cone S_Y° is defined in a similar way.

It was proved in [5], that S_X° is a convex cone in $\text{Lip}_0 X$, S_Y° is a convex cone in $\text{Lip}_0 Y$ and S_Y° is a P -cone.

Let

$$(13) \quad X_S = S_X^\circ - S_X^\circ,$$

be the linear space generated by the cone S_X° . In this case, theorem 1 and theorem 2 were proved in [5].

V. If X is a normed linear space, Y a nonvoid convex subset of X such that $\theta \in Y$, put

$$(14) \quad C_X = \{f : f \in \text{Lip}_0 X, f \text{ is convex}\},$$

$$(15) \quad C_Y = \{h : h \in \text{Lip}_0 Y, h \text{ is convex}\}.$$

Then C_Y is a P -cone and theorem 1 and theorem 2 can be applied.

5. In this section we intend to study the relation between the extremal elements of the unit ball of M_Y and the faces of the unit ball of M_X (the notation are as in section 1.).

If $(E, \|\cdot\|)$ is a normed space, denote by B_E and S_E the unit ball, respectively the unit sphere of E , i.e.

$$(16) \quad B_E = \{x \in E : \|x\| \leq 1\},$$

$$S_E = \{x \in E : \|x\| = 1\}.$$

An extremal element of a convex set C in a linear space E is an element $x \in C$ such that $\lambda x_1 + (1 - \lambda)x_2 = x$ for $x_1, x_2 \in C$ and $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ implies $x_1 = x = x_2$.

A face of the unit ball B_E is a convex subset F of S_E such that $\lambda x_1 + (1 - \lambda)x_2 \in F$ for $x_1, x_2 \in B_E$ and $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ implies that $x_1, x_2 \in F$. Obviously, a face which contain exactly one element is an extremal element of B_E .

For $h \in M_Y$, denote by

$$(17) \quad P_Y(h) = \{f : f \in M_X, f|_Y = h, \|f\|_X = \|h\|_Y\},$$

the set of all extension of h .

Then $P_Y(h)$ is a nonvoid, convex, bounded and closed subset of M_X .

THEOREM 5. An element $h \in B_{M_Y}$ is an extremal element of B_{M_Y} if and only if $P_Y(h)$ is a face of B_{M_X} .

Proof. Suppose h is an extremal element of B_{M_Y} . Let $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ and $f_1, f_2 \in B_{M_X}$ be such that $\lambda f_1 + (1 - \lambda)f_2 \in P_Y(h)$. Then $\lambda f_1|_Y + (1 - \lambda)f_2|_Y = h$, and since h is an extremal element of B_{M_Y} , it follows that $f_1|_Y = f_2|_Y = h$, so that $\|f_1|_Y\|_Y = \|f_2|_Y\|_Y = \|h\|_Y = 1$. Since the norms $\|\cdot\|_X$ and $\|\cdot\|_Y$ are supposed compatible (see definition 1.) it follows that $\|f_1\|_X = \|f_2\|_X = 1$. We proved that $f_1, f_2 \in P_Y(h)$ which shows that $P_Y(h)$ is a face of B_{M_X} .

Conversely, suppose h is not an extremal element of B_{M_Y} . Then there exist two elements $h_1, h_2 \in B_{M_Y}$, $h_1 \neq h$, $h_2 \neq h$ and $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ such that $\lambda h_1 + (1 - \lambda)h_2 = h$. Let $f'_1 \in P_Y(h_1)$ and $f'_2 \in P_Y(h_2)$. Then $\lambda f'_1|_Y + (1 - \lambda)f'_2|_Y = h$ and $1 = \|\lambda f'_1|_Y + (1 - \lambda)f'_2|_Y\|_Y \leq \|\lambda f'_1 + (1 - \lambda)f'_2\|_X \leq 1$, so that $\lambda f'_1 + (1 - \lambda)f'_2 \in P_Y(h)$. But f'_1 and f'_2 do not belong to $P_Y(h)$ since $f'_1|_Y \neq h$ and $f'_2|_Y \neq h$, so that $P_Y(h)$ is not a face of B_{M_X} .

Suppose now, $\text{Lip}_0 X$ and $\text{Lip}_0 Y$ be as in the case II. from section 4. If $h \in \text{Lip}_0 Y$, then the functions

$$(18) \quad f_1(x) = \inf \{h(y) + \|h\|_Y d(x, y) : y \in Y\}, x \in X,$$

$$f_2(x) = \sup \{h(y) - \|h\|_Y d(x, y) : y \in Y\}, x \in X$$

are extensions of h (see [4]) and further, they are extremal elements of the set $P_Y(h)$.

Indeed, one can prove that

$$(19) \quad f_2(x) \leq f(x) \leq f_1(x), \quad x \in X,$$

for all $f \in P_Y(h)$ (see [5]). If $\varphi, \psi \in P_Y(h)$ and $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ are such that $\lambda\varphi + (1 - \lambda)\psi = f_1$, then

$$(20) \quad 0 \leq \lambda(f_1 - \varphi) = (1 - \lambda)(\psi - f_1),$$

and by (19) it follows $\varphi = \psi = f_1$, so that f_1 is an extremal element of $P_Y(h)$. In a similar way one can show that f_2 is an extremal element of $P_Y(h)$.

Since, by theorem 5, h is an extremal element of $B_{\text{Lip}_0 Y}$ if and only if $P_Y(h)$ is a face of $B_{\text{Lip}_0 X}$, and an extremal element of a face of the unit ball of a normed linear space is an extremal element of the ball, it follows:

If h is an extremal element of the unit ball of $\text{Lip}_0 Y$, then the functions f_1, f_2 defined by the formulae (18) are extremal elements of the unit ball of $\text{Lip}_0 X$.

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